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(d) the number of higher elementary schools run by the Labour department in each district; and

(e) whether the Government will raise some labour elementary schools into higher grade schools for the facilities of higher education in each district in which the operations of the Labour department are opened in the next official year?

A.—(a) For the number of schools see the answer to question No. 1673. Figures for teachers are given in the administration report.

(b) & (c) The Government have not the information.

(d) One in Kistna.

(e) No promise can be given. The Commissioner will no doubt propose raising when necessary.

Scholarships to depressed classes of Hindu faith reading in colleges.

* 1700 Q.—Swami A. S. SAHAJANANDAM: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state whether there is any bar which prevents the Labour Commissioner from granting scholarships and such other assistance to the depressed classes of Hindu faith reading in the colleges and standing in need of such assistance?

A.—No.

Allotment for the Kallar community.

* 1701 Q.—Swami A. S. SAHAJANANDAM: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether any amount was provided by the Labour Commissioner for the Kallar community in 1927-28; and if so, how much;

(b) what portion of the amount was spent on Christians; and

(c) whether any safeguards have been taken to prevent misappropriation or misuse of the money?

A.—(a) The hon. Member is referred to the budget estimates.

(b) Information is not available.

(c) The usual safeguards provided in the general financial and account rules.

Acquisition of house-sites for depressed classes.

* 1702 Q.—Swami A. S. SAHAJANANDAM: Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(a) the total amount drawn by the Commissioner for Labour from Government during 1927-28 for the acquisition of house-sites to depressed classes;

(b) if so, how much was spent and how much was refunded by him;

(c) the total amount spent by Government for the acquisition of house-sites to depressed classes, ever since the Labour department was created;

(d) the amount received from the depressed classes by Government on that behalf; and

(e) what is the amount still expected from them?